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Gentlemen

Based on conversations with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and on CDPHE's May 8, 1995 letter regarding consolidation of OU (Operable Unit) 1 and OU 2 treatment facilities, it is our understanding that your concerns about this project are its cost effectiveness and consistency with sitewide strategies under development.

The cost for the OU 1 and OU 2 consolidation project (including design and construction) is \$1.7 million. Current annual costs to operate and maintain the OU 1 treatment facility and the OU 2 treatment facility are \$1.7 million and \$1.8 million, respectively. The estimated annual cost to operate and maintain the consolidated facility is \$1.7 million. Therefore, the payout period is approximately 1 year. The project is approximately 50 percent complete and 55 percent spent. Please note that these are EG&G estimates and are in the process of being verified by Kaiser Hill as part of the FY96 budget call. Any changes should be relative and not significantly change the payout of the project.

The draft sitewide strategy is anticipated to be available for DOE review in September. However, based on discussions with the staff working on the strategy, it will be at least 2 years before implementation. This schedule includes time for funding, design, and construction. Therefore, DOE will experience over \$1 million in savings. Additionally, work on the Building 374 upgrades are on hold until the sitewide strategy is developed to ensure consistency. In any event, the Building 891 combined facility is anticipated to be an integral part of the overall long-term water treatment strategy. DOE believes there is very little risk in completing the Sitewide Treatment Facility construction regardless of the outcome of the sitewide water strategy.

As stated in our May 2, 1995 letter (95 DOE 08294) we will treat water to the more stringent of the OU 1 or OU 2 Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs) until sitewide ARARs are determined and implemented.

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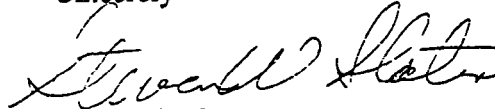
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The modification being made optimizes performance and minimizes (and reduces) cost. Therefore it is our determination that this change is nonsignificant and will be recorded in the Administrative Record. As such we are continuing work on this project and anticipate completion of construction by mid to late October. If EPA and CDPHE require additional documentation to address other concerns please notify Dave George the DOE Program Manager as soon as possible to discuss the requirements.

Sincerely



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